

THIS STORY HAS NO MORAL

Simply Tells How Laziest Man in the World May Become a Famous Efficiency Expert.

Once upon a time there was a man who was known as the laziest man in the world. He spent most of his time trying to figure out how he could avoid anything that had even a faint resemblance to labor. He slept late mornings, and loafed all day. He was proud of his record, and boasted that he had never done a hand's turn in his life. The neighbors shook their heads over him and predicted all sorts of awful things for him in the future.

The wheels of administration revolved and the laziest man in the world found himself, all unexpectedly, appointed postmaster of the village, a writer in Judge says. He took up his new duties with a sigh, fearing a blot on his hitherto unblemished panache of idleness. But his talent for avoiding work saved him, and it was not long until that post office was full of devices which enabled the laziest man in the world to spend his time around the stove with the rest of the boys while the government's business took care of itself.

Not long after the inauguration of this era of millennial inactivity an inspector came snooping around those parts. He entered the post office of the laziest man in the world prepared to make trouble. He took one look at the arrangements and fled to the telegraph office, and the postmaster general was in receipt of several dozen winged words that night.

The laziest man in the world is now employed at a fabulous remuneration as an efficiency expert.

MADE GREAT BY ADVERSITY

Misfortune and Poverty Have Been Means of Urging Men to Great Accomplishments.

Adverse circumstances are frequently among the foes that, being vanquished, bestow a blessing. Rev. J. Frank Thompson writes in the Universalist Leader. It was a good thing for the world that the loss of his fortune induced Thackeray to become a writer. English literature is indebted for the "Pillgrim's Progress" to the imprisonment that compelled Bunyan to choose between mental industry and madness. If Hawthorne had not lost his position in the customhouse he might never have written "The Scarlet Letter" and the books that followed it. Through physical blindness Milton gained an increase of spiritual vision. In the scrow of exile, and the lofty meditations which were the only solace, Dante found the inspiration of his poem. It was while dwelling on the Isle of Patmos, with convicts as his only companions, that John received his revelation. Willingness to suffer for the truth which he proclaimed gave to the letters sent by Paul from his Roman dungeon a power beyond that of the essays which Seneca wrote upon his golden table. It was through resisting the temptation to save his life at the cost of his mission that Jesus added to the wisdom of his teaching the perfect example which had made him "The Light of the World."

John Calvin Lewis of Louisville, Ky., is said to be the nearest living relative to George Washington.

President Wilson writes all his speeches and public letters in shorthand before doing them on the typewriter.



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"There's a Reason"

Diseases of Autists.

When the bicycle was in the limelight, and the daily papers would publish most anything connected with the subject that came to them, the doctors began to discover, or rather invent, many new and fearsome diseases that they claimed to result from riding the wheel. The doctors' of their names into the papers, but the diseases never materialized. Now, some enterprising member of the medical fraternity has discovered a peculiar knee trouble that he claims to result from continued use of the clutch and brake pedals. It will probably join "kiphosis biclurum" in oblivion after it serves its purpose as a newspaper item.—Scientific American.

AN APPRECIATIVE LETTER.

Mr. M. A. Page, Osceola, Wis., under date of Feb. 16, 1916, writes: Some years ago I was troubled with my kidneys and was advised to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. It is now three years since I finished taking these Pills and I have had no trouble with my kidneys since. I was pretty bad for ten or twelve years prior to taking your treatment, and will say that I have been in good health since and able to do considerable work at the advanced age of seventy-two. I am glad you induced me to continue their use at the time, as I am cured.

Dodd's Kidney Pills, 50c per box at your dealer or Dodd's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets for indigestion have been proved, 50c per box.—Adv.

NOT AFRAID OF WASHINGTON

Scottsman Credited With Giving Sharp Answer When Rebuked by the Father of His Country.

When the land for the present capital was being secured the commission appointed by President Washington found it hard to persuade some of the local landholders to part with their fields. In "Walks About Washington," an old story, good enough to be true, is told about one David Burns, a canny Scot, who held out so long that President Washington personally undertook his conversion. After pointing out to the farmer what advantages he would reap from having the government for a neighbor, the great man concluded:

"But for this opportunity, Mr. Burns, you might have died a poor tobacco planter."

"Aye, mon," snapped Burns, "and had ye no married the Widder Custis, wif all her nagurs, ye'd ha' been a land surveyor the noo, and a mighty poor one at that!"

However, when he learned that unless he accepted the liberal terms offered him, his land would be condemned and seized at an appraisal probably much lower, Burns met the president in quite another mood, and to the final question, "Well, sir, what have you concluded to do?" astonished everyone by his prompt response:

"Whate'er your excellency wad hae me."

On one of his fields now stands the White House, and an adjacent lot became Lafayette square.—Youth's Companion.

What It Was.

"There's something in this world besides money."

"Yes," said the cynic, "the work-house."

DRAW INJURED MAN 28 MILES ON SLED

Four Companions Tug Woodsman Over Snow to Hospital and Life Is Saved.

Cle Elum, Wash.—By the utmost superhuman efforts of four men, who pulled him on an improvised sled made of two skis, through deep snow for twenty-eight miles, Robert Nelson, of Seattle, was saved from death. Nelson, who was working at a mine near King Solomon mountain, cut the great artery open near the ankle January 5 and suffered severe hemorrhage. No physician was called to the aid of Nelson for many days. Finally Dr. F. W.



Pulled the Heavy Sled.

McNigh, of this city, went to the camp with Rudolph Elsner, who had come for help.

The doctor and his companion were two days getting to the camp, and it took two days for four men to pull the young man to Roslyn, where a sleigh was obtained to take him to the hospital here. It was necessary to amputate the injured leg below the knee. He will survive, physicians believe. When the physician reached him at Camp Creek Nelson was almost dead.

The four men hitched themselves in a harness similar to that used on dog sleds, and in snow hind pulled the heavy load fourteen hours each of the two days they were on the road. This was done with almost no food. The first day out all they had was a cold flapjack and a salt herring each.

Despite the harrowing experience of the long trip Nelson reached the hospital in better condition than when he left the camp and rallied from the operation.

RINGS IN THE TRAMP'S SHOE

St. Louis Woman Unwittingly Gives Beggar \$260 Worth of Jewelry.

St. Louis.—A thinly-clad and poorly shod, but lucky tramp to whom Mrs. C. L. Knapp, 2112 Park avenue, gave an old pair of shoes recently unquestionably is well fortified financially against cold and want these frigid days. In one of the shoes was a small fortune to one who is "down and out," for it contained a \$200 diamond ring and a garnet ring valued at \$60.

Mrs. Knapp had placed the rings in one of the shoes for safe keeping. A few days later a tramp appeared at the door and asked if she had any old footwear she might give him. Forgetting about the gems reposing snugly in the toe of one of the shoes, Mrs. Knapp drew them forth and presented them to the man. He left. Later she remembered of the footwear being a safe deposit vault, but it was too late. Neither tramp, shoes nor rings have been seen or heard of since.

PLEADS OWN DIVORCE CASE

Mrs. Partains Secures a Decree From the Court and the Custody of Her Child.

Colusa, Cal.—Mrs. Essie Partains secured a divorce from Joseph Partains. Partains was represented in the proceedings by Attorney Willard and Mrs. Partains handled her own case.

Judge Anderson of Woodland presided, sitting for Judge Weyand, who was disqualified on account of having at one time acted as attorney for Mrs. Partains.

Judge Anderson rendered a decision granting Mrs. Partains a divorce, awarding her the custody of the minor child of two years, and ordered the father to pay \$1 a month for its support. Mrs. Partains is an employee of the state accident commission in San Francisco.

MUST COME HOME SOBER

Civic League of Goshen Will Prosecute Those Who Go Away to Drink.

Goshen, Ind.—The Civic league of Goshen has given official notice that it will prosecute all persons who go from this saloonless community to Elkhart, ten miles away, become drunk there and ride home on traction cars.

League managers call attention to the law of 1913, under which intoxicated persons on traction or steam cars and in railway stations are guilty of misdemeanor, punishable by heavy fine and jail imprisonment. Late cars on the Chicago, South Bend and Northern Indiana Traction line between Elkhart and Goshen have carried many drunken persons since Goshen voted against the saloons. Employees of the traction company are unable to meet the situation, which is serious.

Requests of the Civic league that the offenders be arrested have been ignored by the Elkhart police, members of the league say.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

United States Saves Thousands by Close Buying

WASHINGTON.—The United States is paying so much less for the things it buys than private individuals or business houses that many people are beginning to inquire why the concerns furnishing the commodities in question cannot reduce commercial prices and still make money.

Among the interesting comparisons shown in the records of the general supply committee, under the contracts of which organization government purchasing agents here make purchases, is that of the price of gasoline. These records show that the government just before the close of the last fiscal year was paying 11 cents a gallon, while 23 cents was the price in the open market. Carbon paper, which the government buys at a contract price of 29.25 cents, is selling now in the open market at 75 cents a hundred sheets. This means that the government will effect a saving of \$15,975 if it purchases 35,500 boxes, the estimated consumption for the current fiscal year.

Typewriter ribbons are \$1.50 a dozen in open market now, against the contract price of \$2.50. The saving here on 50,000 ribbons, the estimated requirement for the year, will be \$3,500.

Of rubber bands the market price is now \$1.50 a pound. The contract of the general supply committee is \$1. The saving on 14,634 pounds will be \$7,342.

There will be a saving of \$5,000 on mullage if the government uses 1,150 dozen quilts, as estimated. If 2,142 dozen duck towels are used, the saving will be \$1,049. Purchases of disinfectant, if up to the estimate of 12,027 kilos, will save \$2,456; purchases of 4,100 pounds of glycerin will mean an economy of \$1,857.

Cement is one of the big items of saving. If the purchases aggregate 21,397 bags, there will be an economy of \$10,164 under prevailing prices. The saving in gasoline will amount to only \$5,012, if \$8,848 gallons are purchased.

The government buys so closely that in a purchase of 21 adding machines alone \$1,303 was saved, while \$1,162 was saved in the cost of 5,400 pounds of glue and \$5,050 in 555 letter-size filing sections. Another large saving was \$6,330 in the price of 694 desks. The close purchase of 1,169 revolving desk chairs netted \$1,637, and \$2,679 was saved in 2,863 barrels of wheat flour.

Graphophone Puts Ginger Into Sleepy Barbers

A MAN who conducts a barber shop in the downtown section and employs ten dusky men to attend to the wants of his customers, recently discovered that on dark, rainy days, when business was light, his trusty razor welders were afflicted with sleeping sickness and were wont to sink down before their chairs and snatch a wink occasionally.

He thought of a brilliant scheme to rouse his small army from their apathy, and, hastening to a music store, purchased a large graphophone and a bunch of records. When the machine arrived at the shop it was surrounded by brush welders and hair cutters and before long the strains of "Robert E. Lee" and other ragtime tunes emanated from the instrument. The effect upon the force was as remarkable as it was instantaneous. Barbers rushed back and forth from chair to wash basin with lively steps, cut capers around the barber's chair as they shaved customers and otherwise displayed a surplus amount of energy which had long lain dormant.

Recently the young Southerner in charge of the bootblack department adopted a regular program for the day, beginning with "Dixie," when the sleepy barbers arrive in the wee small hours of the morning and ending with the "Star-Spangled Banner," when the hands of the clock denote that closing time has arrived at night.

When a man asked the ragtime expert what tune he would play if he was tipped a quarter, that worthy played a record on the machine and soon heard the bold strains of "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight."

So Davis Decided He Would Not Take a Chance

WILLIS J. DAVIS, who is the clerk to the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce, did some traveling in Florida some time ago. He happened to be one of a large party in which there was a preponderance of women. One of the stops on the tour was in a hotel far from the beaten path. This matter of isolation evidently accounted for the fact that there was but one bathroom in the entire hotel, and it was a rather discouraged-looking bathroom at that.

However, the party had traveled a long and dusty distance, and everyone had been looking forward to nice cool white tubs and clean towels. When this regiment of women found there was but one tub in the place they lined up, Indian file, and prepared to take a string of baths that would have extended far into the middle of next week if someone had not speeded up.

Willis Davis looked over the situation and decided that if he wanted to take a bath he would have to have his fine physique in the gleaming waters of the river flowing near at hand. Therefore he gathered up his duds and wandered down to the banks and found a pool overshadowed by a beautiful growth of semitropical trees. Nature reigned supreme except for the presence of one of Florida's citizens, who appeared to have dressed from a rag bag.

He asked Willis if he were preparing to take a swim.

"Yep," said Willis.

The stranger sat on a log and waited.

"I don't suppose there are alligators left in this river?" suggested Willis.

"I don't know if there is or not. I killed twelve of the critters in this year pool last week, but I don't know of any left or not."

Whereupon Willis spoiled that stranger's fun by refusing to go in swimming.

National Museum Has Interesting Naval Relics

ANOTHER illustrious American family whose sons were officers in the United States navy is now represented in the hall of history in the government museum at Washington. The United States National museum has just received a collection of naval relics pertaining to the services rendered by Capt. Edward Trenchard, and Rear Admiral Stephen Decatur Trenchard, between the years 1800 and 1880.

An officer's sword, a dirk, two commissions, a map, and a manuscript journal relate to the career of Edward Trenchard. He was born in Salem, N. J., in 1784, and entered the United States navy as midshipman on April 30, 1800. His first cruise was on the sloop of war Adams, under the valiant Stephen Decatur. The Adams was engaged in the Mediterranean in the war with Tripoli from 1801-03, and while still a midshipman Trenchard participated in the famous attack on Tripoli in the latter part of the war, for which service he was awarded a sword by congress in 1805, but as no midshipman rated a sword in those days, he was presented with a dirk such as the junior officers of the British navy wore.

Trenchard became a lieutenant in 1807, and the commission issued to him at that time, bearing the signature of Thomas Jefferson, is exhibited in the case. A little later, after serving on the Constellation and the Constitution, he was made executive officer in the New York navy yard. During the war of 1812-14 he was in command of the Onondaga and the Madison in several engagements.

Capt. Edward Trenchard's son, who was named Stephen Decatur Trenchard, after the captain's friend, had even a more interesting career than his father, who died at the age of forty years, after 24 years' service. Stephen Decatur Trenchard was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1818. He was appointed midshipman in 1834. On August 14, 1855, while again serving on coast survey work, he rendered prompt and efficient service in the rescue of the British bark Adieu, wrecked off Gloucester, Mass., saving all hands and the entire cargo, for which he was presented with a beautifully decorated sword by the British government, and a gold watch by the underwriters of the bark. The watch and sword are both on exhibition.

With the opening of the Civil war Trenchard was put in command of the Keystone State, which arrived at Norfolk just as the navy yard was burning, and assisted in saving some of the government property. He was afterward in command of the Rhode Island, a supply and dispatch ship, which was later converted into a heavily armed cruiser. He was present at both bombardments of Fort Fisher.

He was retired in 1880, and died in New York city in 1883.

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